

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Nobuhiro Tamura et al.  
Serial No.: Not Yet Known  
Filed : Herewith  
For : METAL HALIDE LAMP, HEADLIGHT APPARATUS FOR  
VEHICLE USING THE SAME, AND METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING METAL HALIDE LAMP

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(a)-(b) applicant directs the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (**Exhibit A**) and are attached hereto:

1. Japanese Publication No. 11-238488, published August 31, 1999 (**Exhibit 1**);
2. Japanese Publication No. 11-307048, published November 5, 1999 (**Exhibit 2**);
3. Japanese Publication No. 11-329350, published November 30, 1999 (**Exhibit 3**);
4. Japanese Publication No. 2000-516901, published December 19, 2000 (**Exhibit 4**); and
5. Japanese Publication No. 2001-357818, published December 26, 2001 (**Exhibit 5**).

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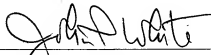
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)(i), applicant hereby provides a concise statement of the relevance, as it is presently understood, of each reference that is not in the English language.

The above five Japanese Publications (Exhibits 1-5) are disclosed in the body of the specification filed on November 3, 2003 along with statements of relevancy.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being concurrently submitted with the above-identified application.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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Exhibit A